



Leading Indirectly

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Seminar in the TRAINING LEADERS of CADETS curriculum "Leading Cadets" Block • Lesson L3



Introduction

"Leaders don't create followers,





they create more leaders."
- Tom Peters



Objectives & overview



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Define "indirect leadership"

Discuss ways to lead cadets indirectly

Describe principles of indirect leadership related to counseling and disciplining cadets

Apply principles of indirect leadership to case studies



Indirect leadership



What is "indirect leadership"?







How do you lead cadets indirectly?



Describe indirect leadership methods related to:

- 1. Getting cadets started on a new project or job
- 2. Making mid-stream adjustments as cadets lead a project or team
- 3. Debriefing cadets and helping them learn from their mistakes



Counseling & disciplining

What principles should guide seniors in counseling & disciplining cadets?

- -- General principles
- -- Indirect leadership methods







Case studies



Examine your assigned cases:

- 1. Clearly state the leadership problem
- 2. Describe what you would do to bring the cadet toward a solution





Indirect leadership methods develop cadets' potential more effectively than authoritarian or direct leadership methods

Begin with "mission-type orders" to define the goal, not prescribe the solution

Require updates and approvals along the way

Ask questions to tighten cadets logic and introduce new ideas

Mentor and debrief cadets to help them learn from their mistakes







Don't tell people how to do things, tell them what to do and let them surprise you with their results.

- George S. Patton

